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NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CURATOR.

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COLUMBIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

I herewith present to you my *ninth annual report*.

One copy of Volume 5 of our publications was delivered to the Secretary for a new member of the Society who was entitled thereto, and one copy of our publication: "In Memoriam," was sent to Mrs. Henry L. West by vote of the Board of Managers. One copy of: "Washington in the Forbes Expedition" was sold at the schedule price, and a copy of Volume 2 was forwarded to the Secretary at her request for the Society's use.

In February, 1902, all the books, pamphlets, maps and other literary material relating to the District of Columbia, aggregating several hundred items, which were bequeathed to the Society by Dr. Samuel C. Busey, were turned over to me by his executor, and are now in my possession. A card catalogue, nearly completed, accompanied the bequest, but an enumeration of the items in detail would swell this report beyond reasonable bounds. I was therefore authorized, by vote of the Managers at their meeting in November last, to prepare a typewritten catalogue of the Society's library, including all its acquisitions from organization to the present, which may be published when the funds of the Society will warrant the expense. The catalogue is now in preparation.

Following is a list of accessions during the past year aside from the Busey Donation:

MAP of the City of Washington, showing the lines of the various properties at the division with the original proprietors in 1792. Colored. 23 x 30. 1884. (Presented by Mr. W. Mosby Williams.)

A number of invitation cards, ball programs, etc. (30 items.) (Presented by Mr. James O'Neil.)

SOUTHERN HISTORY ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS. Nos. 1 to 6 of Vol. VI. 8°. 1902. (By exchange with the Association.)

IOWA MASONIC GRAND LODGE. Quarterly Bulletin. Nos. 1 to 5 of Vol. V. 8°. 1902. (By exchange with the Grand Lodge.)

NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY BULLETIN. Nos. 1 to 12 of Vol. VI. 4°. 1902. (By exchange with the Library.)

UNITED STATES PUBLIC DOCUMENTS. Monthly Catalogue. Nos. 83 to 94. 8°. (Presented by the Superintendent of Documents.)

WEST VIRGINIA HISTORICAL MAGAZINE. Nos. 1 to 4 of Vol. II. 8°. 1902. (By exchange with the W. Va. Hist. and Antiq. Soc.)

THE FREE LANCE. No. 137 of Vol. 17 (Jan. 7, 1902), and

THE PRESBYTERIAN STANDARD. No. 34 of Vol. 44 (August 20, 1902). 8°. (Presented by Rev. R. R. Howison.)

ANDREWS, G. C. The Story of Creation. 8°. (Presented by the Author.)

READER, F. S. Some Pioneer Families of Washington Co., Penn. (Presented by the Author.)

THE WASHINGTON HISTORIAN. No. 4 of Vol. II. 8°. 1902. (By exchange with the Washington State Hist. Soc.)

KANSAS STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Proceedings, Vol. 7, 1901-1902, and Thirteenth Biennial Report. 8°. (By exchange with the Society.)

WASHINGTON NATIONAL MONUMENT. History of the Monument and of the Society. (Presented by the Society.)

All of which is respectfully submitted:

JAMES F. HOOD,
Curator.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
January 12, 1903.